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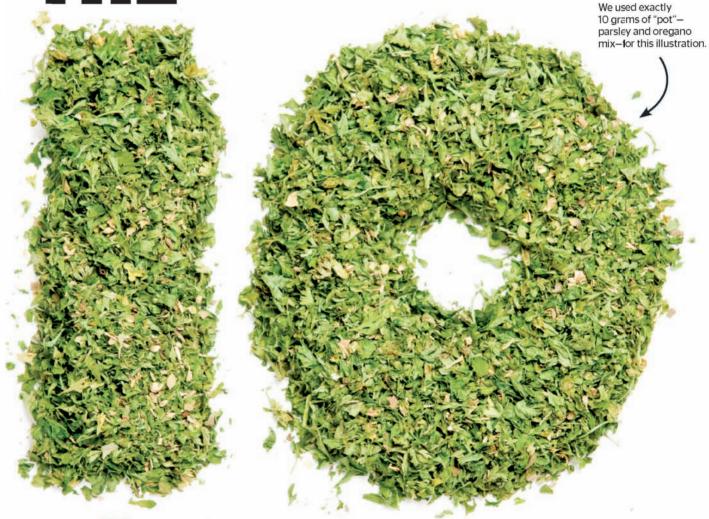
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Americans are facing a pricey Thanksgiving this year with a higher turkey bill and soaring energy prices, but that's not keeping them from hitting the open road this holiday.

After a travel slump over the Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day weekends, the number of people traveling for Thanksgiving is expected to rise an estimated 4 percent from a year ago to 42.5 million, AAA said Thursday.

Three years ago, at the height of the recession, fewer than 38 million Americans traveled for the holiday period running next Wednes-

day through Nov. 27. AAA defined travel as journeying 50 miles or more from home.

Behind the growth is pent-up demand, AAA said.

"This is the first significant increase in any holiday travel this year," wrote Bill Sutherland, vice president of AAA's travel services division, in a statement. "As consumers weigh the fear of economic uncertainty and the desire to create lasting family memories this holiday, more Americans are expected to choose family and friends over frugality."

Here's a look at the Turkey Day economic forecast.

Rise in the cost of traditional Thanksgiving dinner

Rise in the price of airfare among the top 50 markets

2%

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In the wrong hands, technology is dumb



Kim

joined modern-day society, my world changed. It happened when I saw a familiar message pop up on Facebook.

When my mom

"Jen's mom" wants to be friends with you. Do you accept?

That lady in the picture looked an awful lot like the lady who gave birth to me, but

there was no way she knew what Facebook was. She didn't even know how to turn on a computer.

With the immediacy of a wild mongoose, I clicked "no" and closed my screen, hoping the friend invite was just a glitch in the universe-a momentary black hole whose vortex happened to be in the center of my little apartment.

The next day, the invitation was back. This time, with a little more urgency, it came with a message: "Jenny, it's Mom!"

It was time for me to jump ship. And it was also, apparently, time for Facebook to jump the shark.

For when my mother starts to do anything "cool" or "hip," that thing no longer is "cool" or "hip." The most flagrant memory of her Midas touch is when the song "Macarena" first came out. What originally was a fun little ditty to dance to during my pre-teen years became a routine fixture at every adult gathering for the next decade.

Not to say she is questing for the fountain of youth—no, not at all. Rather, my mother

is a bona fide Luddite who simply eschews most technology.

I remember the first time she texted me on her cellphone. It read: "Jenny, it's Mom. Don't text me. It costs me 30 cents."

Needless to say, it was the first and last text between us. Why she thought it was necessary to address me by name and alert me to who she was, I will never know, but that rare and costly text still is buried deep in the recesses of my phone. I look at it on occasion, when I feel like the world is moving too quickly for me. There is relief because I know that no matter how fast technology advances for me, my mother still will be fighting it tooth and text.

Going back to that Facebook friend request, I knew I didn't have much choice in the matter. Even though her profile revealed that she had just three other friends (other older folks who did not know how to upload a profile picture), I realized I eventually would have to acquiesce into a virtual friendship with her.

I accepted.

For the next few days, nothing happened. I had heard of other parents befriending their offspring on Facebook, posting embarrassing comments on their walls and friending their offspring's friends. But my wall stayed blemish-free, and no one I knew was hassled by this middle-aged lady who looked like me.

The next time I went home, I asked my mom, "So, how are you liking Facebook?" She had no idea what I was talking about.

Like so many other high-tech gadgets she had been introduced to, my mom got bored and was no longer interested.

My relationship with Facebook was safe. Until, that is, the day my dad sent me a friend request. JEN KIM IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.

VATUS UPDA

Here are some of the comments from the week's news that caught our attention on RedEye's Facebook wall and on Twitter.

Just fix the damn train delays and make the system run smooth and on time. All these features are extra fluff.

-Ashish Shah, on the CTA's long-term plan to allow credit card payments

I listened to it but I couldn't hear what he was saying over the sound of his coffin being nailed.

-Chris Lafferty, on an NBC interview with former Penn State football coach Jerry Sandusky, who is charged with child sex abuse

should say at Friday's news conference

Oh hell no. I'm not battling those rabid fans. I'll wait a week or so til the crowds die down.

-Katie Anne, on whether she will see "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 1" on its opening weekend

Anything besides the word 'rebuilding.'



-@wilcomethat, on what new Cubs manager Dale Sveum

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POT TOPIC

Change is wafting across the country—should Chicago relax its marijuana laws?

By Georgia Garvey | REDEYE

You've heard the stoner arguments for legalizing pot: "Weed is 100 percent natural, dude. It's from the earth. Thomas Jefferson grew it, man. Thomas. Jefferson."

But lately the case for legalization and decriminalization of possession comes from entirely different camps, and they're using arguments with more finesse, research and economic impact than those tossed out at a party in your friend's smoke-filled basement. Consider the City Council, which is looking at reduced penalties for possession of amounts less than 10 grams.

Ald. Danny Solis (25th), who this month introduced the city proposal, lists things such as discriminatory arrest practices, harsh penalties and a maxed-out city budget as reasons he'd like to see Chicago's marijuana laws reassessed. And though not everyone's on the "pot is harmless" train, more cities are examining whether jailing people—as Chicago currently does—for small amounts is the way to go.

Police Supt. Garry McCarthy has said police officers might do better ticketing rather than arresting in small-time pot busts. The Cook County board already went the ticketing route for small amounts of marijuana in unincorporated areas; suburbs such as Evanston have done the same. Add to that places including Connecticut and Philadelphia that have eased up, as well as states such as Oregon and California—which have legalized medical marijuana—and the pro-marijuana landscape looks increasingly green.

While opponents say there are a slew of negative consequences from reducing pot penalties, the wheels may already be in motion.

"What you're beginning to see is a more rational approach to marijuana laws and a less emotional approach," said Keith Stroup, founder of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. "You're seeing the same kind of changes that we saw at the end of alcohol prohibition."

Stroup points to places across the country tackling the topic. He said 16 states and the District of Columbia have legalized medical marijuana. And organizations including the California Medical Association have said legalization might be better than inconsistent enforcement.

Today, those arrested in Chicago for pot possession are looking at misdemeanor charges that could lead to six months in jail and a fine of \$1,500. The Chicago proposal—which Solis stresses is in the early phases—would allow cops to write a \$200 ticket for possession of amounts less than 10 grams, with punishments increasing for repeat offenders.

Turning pot possession from a jailable offense to a slap on the wrist, though, bothers anti-drug activists.

"There are a couple of prominent [pro-marijuana] organizations ... preying on our tough economic times," said Amy Ronshausen, manager of congressional and legislative affairs for the Drug-Free America Foundation. She said the negative consequences of alcohol use can predict what would happen should marijuana use dramatically increase or be legalized. "The money that we get [from taxing

alcohol] doesn't compare to the societal costs. ... How can we say that our experience with marijuana would be any different?"

Mayor Emanuel isn't completely on board either. He recently told reporters other cities that have made similar moves "have also created their own set of problems," though he has said he's willing to look at evidence on all sides.

People who like the city plan, though, said the economy and budget pressures mean it's the perfect time to question whether it makes financial sense to jail people arrested with small amounts of marijuana.

Solis offers some figures, including that 23,000 small-time pot-possession arrests are made each year, of which "about 90 percent

get thrown out of court." With what he estimated as more than 83,000 hours of police time being spent on the arrests, the alderman said the city can find better ways to use its law enforcement dollars.

"Police officers are taken away from patrolling neighborhoods in our city," he said, adding that police overtime for court appearances makes the financial toll even worse.

On top of that is data showing black people are arrested for marijuana possession in much higher numbers than white people, which Ald. Walter Burnett (27th) brought up to the Tribune recently. At events such as Pitchfork and Lollapalooza, where attendants are mostly white, Burnett said, he thought he got a "contact high" from all the weed-smoking





going on. The Reader reported in July that the ratio of black arrests to white arrests for marijuana possession in Chicago is 15 to 1.

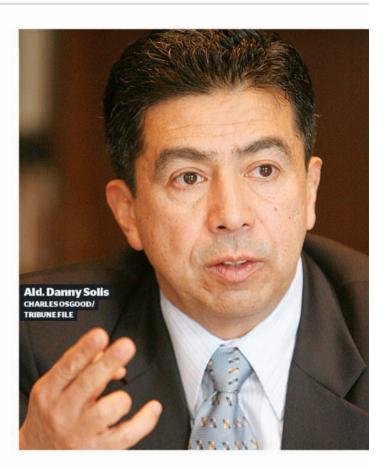
The move toward marijuana decriminalization and legalization hasn't been smooth everywhere. In California, where medical marijuana is legal, some have said "doctor's note" requirements for a prescription card have led to laughably weak enforcement, for example.

More dangerous, anti-drug advocates believe, is the way children and teenagers might respond to decriminalization measures.

"You're kind of normalizing the drug use," Ronshausen said. "When perception of harm decreases, youth use increases."

As the city council debates the proposal, many of these issues in Chicago remain to be hashed out. How much a fine might be, whether cops would continue to have the option of arresting someone with marijuana or how a fine might be reflected on someone's criminal record still are up for debate.

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5 questions for the guy behind the weed plan

After Ald. Danny Solis (25th) announced his decision to propose changes to Chicago's laws for small amounts of marijuana possession, RedEye gave him a call to see why he thinks the issue is ripe for discussion. G.G.

Why did you put this measure forward?

There are basically three reasons. ... The key issue for me on this is that this is over 83,000 hours of police time that can be spent in our neighborhoods, patrolling for more serious crimes.

And the second reason?

The great majority of these arrests are of African-Americans and, second, Hispanics. This can have a very negative effect in terms of their futures—whether it's in finding a job, whether it's in going to school or whether it's in some cases there's a need for public housing, that [arrest] kicks them out of that eligibility.

Finally?

If we can get fines instead of arrests, we'll get a positive revenue production versus a negative revenue deduction to the city budget.

Is racial discrimination a factor in arrests?

Without a doubt. You go to the Lollapalooza concert [and] most of the people there were white, and you could definitely, as I understand, smell the marijuana in the air.

Should minor marijuana possession be on someone's permanent record?

If this is an arrest for the first time, this should not be on their permanent record. I believe that we can show a lot of data that young men and women, primarily minorities, have been very detrimentally affected by the consequences of this being on their record. ... [But] if this is something that is consistently happening to an individual, well, then you've got to pay the piper.

POT PROJECT

Ald. Danny Solis (25th) said there's a lot to do before the City Council could vote on a proposal to lessen the penalty for possession of small amounts of marijuana. The idea has gone to the council's Committee on Public Safety, where experts including police, doctors and social scientists are expected to testify in a couple of hearings. A vote could come early next year, Solis said.

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CASH CABS

Dangerous drivers slapped with fines instead of getting licenses revoked

Chicago Tribune

More than a year ago, in a small hearing room downtown, city officials could have ended the career of a Chicago cabbie who topped the list of citizen complaints.

Zulfiqar Shah was a reckless driver prone to road rage, according to numerous citizen complaints. He argued with a pregnant passenger and gunned the accelerator when she tried to leave the cab. Another time he nearly caused a crash, then allegedly chased down the other driver and threatened to shoot him.

But in June 2010, a hearing officer with the authority to revoke Shah's chauffeur's license instead fined him \$390 and suspended him for three days.

In the city's quasi-court for cabbies, what happened to Shah was rare only in that he was ordered off the road at all. A Tribune investigation found cabbies who are the subject of complaints are almost always hit with fines, not license suspensions or revocations—even for repeated, dangerous conduct.

From some 7,000 complaints made last year, just 18 cabdrivers lost their licenses temporarily. Only seven had them permanently



A taxi cab sits in the window after crashing into Prasino restaurant in Wicker Park during breakfast earlier this month. BRIAN CASSELLA/TRIBUNE

revoked.

In the wake of two taxi-pedestrian deaths, recent Tribune stories on dangerous cabbies have revealed that Cook County courts throw out most tickets of repeat offenders and, even when drivers are convicted of serious traffic offenses, regulators rarely get them off the road.

Citizen complaints, however, are handled by a separate system in which city agencies wield the power to take the worst cabbies off the road without assistance from traditional courts. Citizens can file complaints for all types of misdeeds, from unsafe driving to price gouging.

In focusing on this complaint process, the Tribune found that revocations of cabbie licenses for unsafe driving are declining—from one of every 61 cases prosecuted in 2008 to one of every 279 in 2010.

City officials credit years of aggressive enforcement that, they say, left them with fewer bad cabbies to discipline. Records confirm the number of citizen reports has fallen since 2008, but there still were nearly 2,000 complaints of reckless cabbies last year.

"We try to make them the best they can be. When that fails, then they're out," said Rosemary Krimbel, commissioner of the Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection, which oversees taxi regulation. "Sometimes those are hard calls, and we have to make them."



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HOT DATE

Monday

That's when "Rock Center with Brian Williams" airs its interview with Mayor Emanuel (above). The show starts at 9 p.m. on NBC.



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EXPRESS LINES

- » Demonstrators from Occupy Chicago and other organizations blocked traffic on the LaSalle Street bridge downtown for less than half an hour Thursday (left).
- » The Illinois Tollway will end its free rides for employees as of Jan 1, the agency said Thursday. It will take back the IPass transponders that about 1,156 employees have been able to use for commuting to and from work.
- » A suspect in the fatal shooting of a guard at a Far South Side Aldi store was found hanged to death in a police lockup early Thursday morning, hours after he was charged, authorities said. TRIBUNE

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NEAR WEST SIDE

United Center bar feels pinch of NBA lockout

By Emily Van Zandt

REDEYE

Michael O'Connor is a glass half-full guy. His new sports bar, The Ogden, is set to open in a few weeks, just blocks east of the United Center. The address will make it one of the closest bars to the arena, a prime stop for Bulls fans—that is, if there's a season.

O'Connor, general manager at the bar and eatery, and owner Joseph Panfil thought their food-driven sports spot would be opening as the Bulls 2011-12 season picked up steam. In-

stead they're wondering if it'll happen at all.

"It's interesting because this could potentially be helpful to us," O'Connor said. "If the season begins like they're talking about now, it would start right as we open."

On Tuesday, NBA Commissioner David Stern canceled NBA games through Dec. 15 as part of an ongoing labor dispute between owners and players.

"If [the season] had started on time, we would have been missing out on all these games," O'Connor said.

fire officials said Thursday. STACEY WESCOTT/TRIBUNE

Natural gas blamed for explosion

An explosion that leveled a house on the Southwest Side

over the weekend was caused by a build-up of natural gas

after the homeowner struck a pipe with a rodding machine.

WEST LAWN

Men's

GOLD COAST

Men's Journal to open shop

Men's Journal magazine is opening its first-ever pop-up store Dec. 7, packing everything from 12-foot paddleboards to a limited-edition Steve McQueen-inspired retro Triumph motorcycle inside a former women's dress shop on the fifth floor at 900 North Michigan.

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LAKEVIEW

Man attacked, gets phone back

A man attacked by men who stole his cellphone on a Red Line train in Lakeview was able to track one of the suspects down by using the phone's global positioning software and alerting police, who apprehended him hours later on a moving CTA bus on the South Side.

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Nobel Peace summit coming to Chicago

Mayor Emanuel announced Thursday that Chicago will host the 12th World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates this spring. The summit, the first to be held in North America, will be at the University of Illinois at Chicago on April 23-25.

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ANDERSONVILLE

\$2,300 Walgreens robbery

Four men are behind bars after stealing nearly \$2,300 in merchandise from a Walgreens in Andersonville Tuesday afternoon, police said. The three concealed merchandise including cosmetics, prepaid phone cards, and Zyrtec allergy medication.



Lincoln Park Levitski to open new restaurant

This spring, fomer "Top Chef" contestant Dale Levitski (above) will unveil "frog n snail" in Lakeview. He describes it as French classics with Midwestern sensibilities, with touches of his Eastern European roots.



LAKEVIEW/WRIGLEYVILLE

As November wears on and the weird Chicago weather gets even weirder, I find myself drawn to the movie theatre. (Oh, who am I kidding? I find myself drawn to the movie theatre all year long.) -Lauren Whalen



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Passenger: Airline owes me 45 drinks

A Chicago-area man is suing Southwest Airlines after the carrier stopped honoring coupons for free drinks, which it had given to select travelers and which lacked expiration dates.

Adam Levitt said Southwest had for years awarded its **Business Select customers with** coupons for free drinks. But last year, Southwest changed its policy and said those passengers may use their coupons only on the day of travel printed on them.

Levitt, who claims the change amounts to a breach of contract, has 45 free drink coupons, which he says are now worthless.

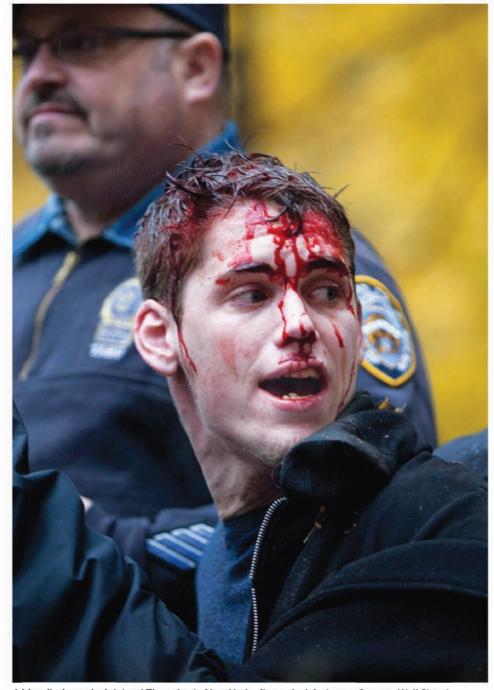
Southwest had no comment.

Assassination charges

A 21-year-old man who called President Obama the "devil" and "anti-Christ" was charged Thursday in Pittsburgh with trying to assassinate the U.S. leader by opening fire on the White House with an assault rifle. Obama and his wife. Michelle. were not in Washington at the time of the shooting Friday night, and no one was hurt.

Ad angers Vatican

The Vatican will attempt legal action against the United Colors of Benetton over an ad featuring a doctored picture of the pope kissing a male Muslim cleric, the Holv See announced Thursday, one day after the ad was unveiled and then pulled. The Vatican said it had directed its lawyers to initiate action to prevent the circulation of the ad, even though Benetton said Wednesday it is pulling the ad in the face of criticism.



A bloodied man is detained Thursday in New York after a clash between Occupy Wall Street protesters and police. At least 177 people were arrested during the demonstration. GETTY IMAGES

Occupy protests take it to the streets

New York police prevented protesters from shutting down Wall Street on Thursday, arresting at least 177 people in repeated clashes with an Occupy Wall Street rally that grew to several thousand strong.

Protesters took to the streets in rainy New York and elsewhere in the U.S. for a day of action seen as a test of the two-month-old Occupy Wall Street movement against economic inequality.

In the biggest New York protest since a police raid broke up the protesters' encampment in a park near Wall Street on Tuesday, organizers and city officials had expected tens of thousands to turn out.

A crowd that disappointed organizers throughout the day grew to several thousand after the standard workday ended.

"I think the numbers have increased dramatically today," protester Jo Robin said. "Particularly after the raid, our message is being broadcast all over the world."

Elsewhere:

- » Some 300 Occupy Los Angeles demonstrators marched about a half-mile Thursday afternoon from their encampment near City Hall to a rally at the Wells Fargo Center. Several protesters were arrested after blocking traffic.
- » Portland, Ore., police arrested 25 activists at the east end of the Steel Bridge; all were cited for disorderly conduct. No police officers and none of those citizens arrested were injured, officials said.
- » Several hundred protesters marched from the Georgetown section of Washington, D.C., and into Arlington, Va. Police, in squad cars and on horses, escorted the group.
- » Six men and two women were arrested for blocking traffic in downtown Atlanta after police said they "did not comply" after being given "multiple warnings" to move.



A survey by executive search firm Amrop Battalia Winston found only 74 percent of the companies polled plan to have a holiday party this year. That's down from 79 percent in 2010-and good news for anyone who fears what they may say to their boss after they've had a drink (or three).



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BEARS VS. CHARGERS

Each week before the Bears game, RedEye's crew gets to the point. Here's what they see happening Sunday.



BEARS 21, SAN DIEGO 14

Cry me a Rivers.

—Tracy Swartz



BEARS 27, SAN DIEGO 23

Bolts fizzle and Forte has a big day. Also, Earl Bennett rewards me for picking him up in fantasy. —Ernest Wilkins



BEARS 34, SAN DIEGO 19

The Chargers have done less with more talent more consistently than most thought possible.

—Brian Moore



SAN DIEGO 31, BEARS 17

Jay Cutler eats a whole wheel of cheese before the game. Throws four interceptions. —Scott Bolohan



KICKIN' IT... AGAIN

REDEYE'S WHIZZER AND HIS CRYSTAL BALL ARE BACK TO TACKLE THE NFL

By Whizzer | REDEYE

There's an old saying that goes something like this: "You can't keep a good dog down." Actually, that's a lie. But that's what it should be.

Do not adjust your glasses or your monitor, folks. What you are seeing is indeed real. I'm back. After a couple of months shooting films in Hollywood, I have returned to Chicago and my RedEye roots. Actually, that's a lie too.

The Hollywood part, not the RedEye part.

And I'm back to doing what I do best. Predicting sporting events. And I'm still doing it better than you. (You can challenge me. Details on Page 15.)

I know you all want to read more of my golden words—and I'd love to keep writing—but we must get to the matter at hand.





Cincinnati at Baltimore Noon, CBS

Cedric Benson and his merry band of Bengals are actually decent this season. In fact, their matchup against the Ravens is a battle for second in the AFC North. Bears fans won't be surprised to hear Benson is racking up yardage but few scores this season. He actually has just one more touchdown (2) than he does suspensions. Boom. Roasted.

Whizzer's Prediction: Ravens 24, Bengals 20

Tennessee at Atlanta 3:15 p.m.

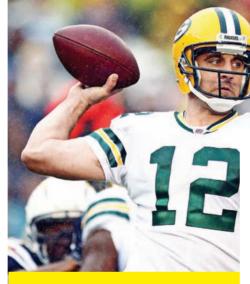
Bears fans, you'll be rooting for the Titans. That's because the Falcons could be in the wild-card mix with the Bears at the end of the season, so the more losses for them, the better. Unfortunately, the Falcons are the much better team. And—let's be honest—have much cooler uniforms.

Whizzer's Prediction: Falcons 27, Titans 14

Carolina at Detroit Noon

The Dirty Lions get the benefit of home cookin' this week, so look for them to actually tear the limbs off some Panthers and not even draw a flag. All right, I'm being a little rough on them. They'll probably just beat the crap out of the Panthers—on the scoreboard. Excuse me while I go take a shower after picking a member of the feline family.

Whizzer's Prediction: Lions 33, Panthers 21



Tampa Bay at Green Bay *Noon. Fox*

I don't want to scare anybody, but the Packers are good. I mean, really good. Really, really good. Really, really good. Really, really good. Really, really scaring myself. Aaron Rodgers is playing like a combination of Tom Brady and Peyton Manning at their bests. And the Pack's D is nasty.

Whizzer's Prediction:

Packers 40, Buccaneers 17

THE REST

Here now, the rest of my picks. Lightning-round-style.

- » Raiders 30, Vikings 27
- » Bills 28, Dolphins 24
- Cowboys 31, Redskins 21
- » Browns 17, Jaquars 10
- » Rams 24, Seahawks 16
- » 49ers 27, Cardinals 17
- » Giants 34, Eagles 30
- » Patriots 40, Chiefs 24

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Orange alert: It's not pretty



SACKED AGAIN

Bag Boy » redeyesports @tribune.com It's a tough week to wear orange around here.

First, to Champaign.

Dear Mr. Zook, the party is over; it's time for you to move on. I realize not everyone can be a football factory like Penn State (ooh, bad example) or Ohio State (ooh, another bad example) or

Michigan (a terrible example) but you have to beat all of these teams in their down years, which come along once every 25 years or so. And you haven't.

And you lost your mind at a news conference. Not good. We'll have to find someone else to lose to the aforementioned teams.

And now on to the other team wearing orange, the Bears. Yes, I know they beat Detroit, but a couple of things.

No. 1, the orange. If I want to see men wearing orange and playing sports, I'll go back to pick-up games on the roof of Cook County Jail. Hey, my teams were always competitive.

I'm kidding. Maybe.

We say goodbye to Chris Williams and say hello to the 67th man to play offensive line for the Bears, Edwin Williams (no relation).

Yes, another first-round offensive lineman gets injured—for Williams, his second injury.

What is it with Bears GM Jerry Angelo? If I'm an offensive lineman and the Bears call in the first round, I don't pick up the phone. They technically can't draft you if you don't answer.

Marc Colombo, Chris Williams, Gabe Carimi. Scary. All with injuries.

However, another win Sunday. The Chargers are awful. They're a great team that will never win anything—like the Chargers of the '80s!

The good news: The Bears are going to the playoffs. Nothing but stiffs on the schedule until we face the Packers again.

The bad news: We face the Packers again. And again. I fear the Packers win everything and no one will know we ever existed. We're like the other great dinosaur besides the T-Rex. Remember? You don't? See!

And a memo to new Cubs management: Please don't give Carlos Zambrano another chance. We could have kept the old management for those kind of moves.

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5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT DALE SVEUM

He's the new Cubs manager, but he's an unknown to most fans

RedEye

Cubs President Theo Epstein finally has made the move fans have been waiting for: naming a manager. Who'd he pick? Dale Sveum, a relative unknown to all but hard-core baseball fans. That means it's time to make him more known among Cubbie nation. Here are five facts about the man, the savior, Dale Sveum.

His last name is pronounced "swame," as in game. The "V" should really be a "W." So, basically throw out everything Chicago learned when we finally figured out how to pronounce Jonathan Toews' last name.

In a Chicago sports version of "6 Degrees of Dale Sveum," the new Cubs manager can be connected to new White Sox manager Robin Ventura in just one move: Sveum and Ventura were teammates on the 1992 Philadelphia Phillies.

During his playing career, which spanned 12 major-league seasons, Sveum earned the nickname "Nuts." Let's hope that refers to his style of play and not his mental state. Carlos Zambrano has really ruined the whole "nuts" persona for Cubs fans.



Like Epstein, Sveum has a World Series title under his belt. He was the Red Sox's third-base coach in 2004, the year Boston broke its curse. Cubs fans hope he breaks another curse—and the sooner, the better.

Sveum's first baseball job in Chicago came in 1992 on the South Side! Gasp. Yes, Sveum played for the White Sox for part of that season. Don't let that make you mad, Cubs fans.

MOVEMBER

Movember is in full swing in the Blackhawks locker room as the team grows mustaches to raise awareness and funds for men's health issues. Here is a hair-tastic trio of Blackhawks lip sweaters.

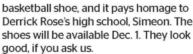






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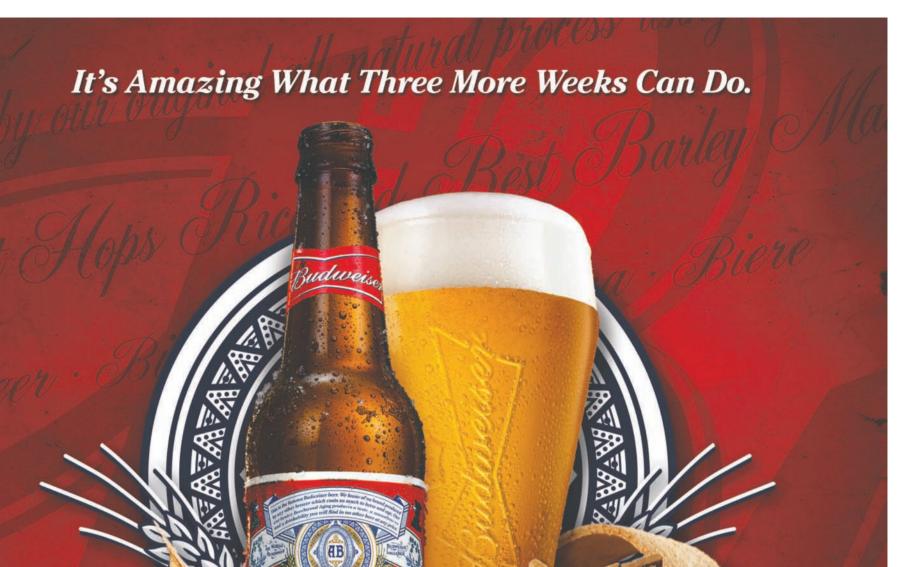
Adidas is unveiling a new gray, neon blue and lime green color scheme for its adiZero Rose 2



Sneak preview

The Chicago Sports Depot, a new outlet where fans can buy White Sox, Bulls, Bears, Blackhawks, Fire and — yes even Cubs gear, opens Saturday at Gate 5 outside U.S. Cellular Field. But we've got a look at it already. Behold!





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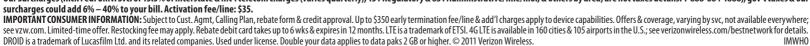
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A better question: Who cares?

Jay Cutler's girlfriend claimed he has the best butt in football and Rivers, to Cutler's horror, agreed.

Cutler's behind. C'mon guys, bros before Bonobos.

Philip is coached by Norv Turner. Jay was coached by Ron Turner. Both Turners suck. Do the math. What?

Kristin Cavallari's statement on the best tight end in the NFL.

A misunderstanding over

Devin Hester is special teams player of the week again. What's he win?

Literally, whatever he wants. Dude had a 103-temperature before that game Sunday.

His very own Jumbotron.

Something returnable.

His 232nd pair of shoes.

Private party with musical quest Soulja Boy.

How is Julius Peppers playing so well on an injured knee?

As my good friend Mary Duby says, "It's a Carolina thing.'

His upper body had a quick talk with his knee and, well, let's just say it magically healed.

He's on a bender.

It's not in the Cards.

Maybe the \$42 million guaranteed is helping him through it.

Practicing against the Bears O-line makes you feel like you can do anything.

Why is Terry Francona choosing not to manage next season?

Cubs weren't a good fit.

For the same reason Justin Bieber, Tinkerbell and Mike Quade are choosing not to manage next season.

After that collapse I'd disappear too-and for more than a year.

When your only other option

is the Cubs ...

What's the best part about the Blackhawks' "circus trip"?

Duh, winning

By far the 9 p.m. puck drop. Kids in bed, no other distractions. Love being in the Western conference.

You still get to see the bearded ladies.

A chance to get reacquainted with awesome elephants, big cats and exotics. And that's just at home.

John Scott feels good not to be the largest thing in the United Center.



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Matt Pais

@tribune.co » @mattpais Yes, she really asked George Clooney that.

"I was like, 'Are you happy? Do you like everything you have?' " recalls Clooney's "The Descendants" co-star Shailene Woodley. "And he said, 'No one wants to hear you complain when things are going so well. But at the same time, sometimes I wish I could just go to a baseball game with my buddies and watch it in the middle of

the crowd and not have to be in a special area."

Woodley, who has been known only for ABC Family's "The Secret Life of the American Teen-

ager," is about to get more recognition thanks to director Alexander Payne's Hawaii-set film, opening Friday. The 20-year-old is garnering early Oscar buzz for her turn as Alexandra, a rebellious 17-year-old who helps her dad (Clooney) track down the man sleeping with Alexandra's mom, who's fighting a losing battle with a post-boating accident coma.

The L.A. resident tends to bubble over with genuine gratitude for Payne and her co-stars—and ramble a little—so it makes more sense to get to know her through a series of quotes from our recent interview at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

On prankster Clooney's behavior on set:

"We didn't get any huge George Clooney pranks because it was such a family-oriented environment ... but we did get a lot of practical jokes. We got the fart machine—the fart application on the phone every now and then."



On her Hawaii experience

"We did a lot of hiking in every single spare second, and kayaking and snorkeling and jumping off things we shouldn't have been jumping off of. ... I think one of my favorite memories is making a bonfire on the beach and just sleeping on the beach all night in a blanket."

On the Oscar buzz

This whole experience has already exceeded my expectations. Four months in Hawaii was the icing on the cake; this is the bing cherry on top, 'cause I think maraschino cherries are just nasty."

On what she hasn't gotten to do yet

"I haven't gotten to salmon fish in Alaska yet, and I really want to do that. I know that's probably not the answer you were looking for."

On how she acted out when she was younger

"I'm sure I went through my angsty period at 14, 15, where I thought I knew everything and thought I was way more educated than my parents. And then quickly I learned that that was not the case by any means."

On why she isn't on Twitter or Facebook

I never intend to. Because when I have free time I want to be the farthest away from EMF radiation as possible. And Twitter, unfortunately or fortunately, depends on EMF radiation, which comes from your laptop and your phones."



On Hawaiian shirts

I think Hawaiian shirts are phenomenal! I don't think they're uncool at all. I think they're awesome."



WHAT'S ON SHAILENE WOODLEY'S IPOD?

Wilco, Angus and Julia Stone, Bon Iver ("His new album is incredible.")

- » Shailene Woodley doesn't think George Clooney will have kids. Find out why at **redeyechicago.com**.
- » Judy Greer found a small but perfect role in "The Descendants." **Page 23**

On Clooney's gratitude and attitude

"[George] would do anything for you, whether you were a person crossing the street or someone who already had millions of dollars and just needed a hug. He's just amazing. And gratitude is a big thing for me. I think everyone needs to learn to be a lot more grateful for what we have, especially living in America. And George really does encompass that."

On her future as an actor:

"I want to be doing this until the day I get recycled back into this planet. I love acting; it's my hobby, it's my passion. The day it becomes unfun or the day it becomes creatively disabling is the day I quit. I don't ever see that happening."

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The Descendants'

George Clooney goes to Hawaii in "The Descendants," but no

one should expect a movie as light and amusing as "George Clooney Goes to Hawaii" sounds. (Memo to studio heads: I want a producer credit when you film that one.)

Director/co-writer Alexander Payne's first feature since 2004's "Sideways" takes place against a beautiful island backdrop where the family drama delivers all the stress-free glamor of Cleveland.

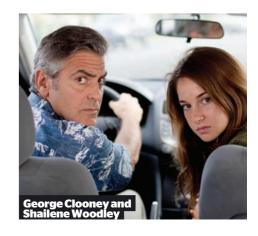
Clooney stars as Matt King, who has a lot happening at once. He's the decision-maker when it comes to selling the ultra-valuable 25,000 acres his family owns in Kauai. In Oahu, Matt's wife (Patricia Hastie) is in a coma after being hurt in a boat accident, leaving the self-professed "backup parent" to try to corral his foul-mouthed 10-year-old daughter, Scottie (Amara Miller), and 17-year-old Alex (Shailene Woodley of "The Secret Life of the American Teenager").

Payne's ditched his usual condescension, but the filmmaker frequently clips the story's natural emotion by tweaking a high-feeling moment with a joke or other interruption. (Alex's moronic friend Sid is kinda funny but not at all believable—and totally distracting.)

"The Descendants" faces an uphill battle of authenticity, but Clooney, who's not exactly synonymous with "low-energy schlub disconnected from his wife and disrespected by his kids," delivers a tender performance that makes up for him not quite looking the part.

Woodley's just as good, if not better.

The film sometimes succeeds in exploring the universally relatable process of sorting out complex situations and wondering how and when to be the bigger person. The realizations ultimately feel a little cute, though. Early on Matt says, "Paradise can go [bleep] itself." Payne understands what brings people together and how they drift apart; he just presents this with a cinematic bow around it rather than with the natural frays and fringes of real life.



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What's it like to kiss George Clooney?

By Matt Pais | REDEYE

Judy Greer knows she's played the "best friend" role in countless romantic comedies. But she's not going to swear them off.

"The truth is, the best friend role has been always, like, my bread and butter," says Greer, 36, whose new film, "The Descendants," opens Friday. "I'm not going to say, 'I don't want to play a best friend role."

Two years ago the Michigan-raised DePaul grad did ask her agents to find her smaller, more interesting roles, and "The Descendants" is a perfect example of what Greer was looking for: In her few scenes as the wife of the man who's been sleeping with George Clooney's character's now-comatose wife, she exudes real warmth and vulnerability.

At the Public Hotel, Greer talked about kissing Clooney and the size of Kitty's breasts when "Arrested Development" returns.

You previously worked with George Clooney in "Three Kings." Be honest: Then or now, how many of your friends asked you what it was like to kiss him?

Everyone asks me what it was like to kiss

him. Every single person I talk to. I don't remember! It's work. It's weird. You're shooting and it's strange. ... We [bleeping] shot that kiss so many times from so many angles and set-ups. I was like, I thought George was punking me, [to use] Ashton's term. Because George makes practical jokes all the time. But I also knew that in shooting a movie it's so expensive, and it was a night shoot, so I was like, "They're not going to play that joke on me. It's too expensive of a joke to play on just me." But we did shoot it over and over and over and over. So, that was awesome.

So what do you tell your friends when they ask?

I say, "Tough day at work." I was in Kauai, I had to kiss George Clooney. It was funny, I'm actually getting married, but I was sort of just dating my fiance at the time, and he was like, "I'm fine with it. I mean, I'm totally fine with it." And his friends back home were all like, "So, Judy's making out with George Clooney all day? That seems awesome. You really honestly think she's going to come back and still want to date you?" But, I did. [Laughs.]

You mentioned that when "Arrested Development" comes back in any form, Kitty's boobs should be bigger.

[Laughs.] I think that's a good idea, yeah!

What else should she be up to these days?

I'm hesitant to say. I'd love for her to be pregnant with a Bluth. We don't know which one. That would be fun. Or have a Bluth baby. I don't know anything about anything. Where the script takes place, where it starts, if we're picking up, having been how many years it's

Are you thinking comically huge, double-J breasts?

I think I'd fall over. I don't know. Yes? Sure. What would my fans like? Let's ask them. We should have a website. They can pick the size.

That sounds like a fun interactive experiment.

Yeah! Maybe I'll tweet about it. I tweet now. I'm a twitterer. I was like, "Maybe I'll Twitter about it," and my girlfriend goes, "I think it's tweeting."

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LISTEN UP

What's on "Twilight" co-star **Nikki Reed's** iPod? Head and the Heart, Portugal. The Man, Foster the People, Laura Marling, Adele, Jay-Z, Beyonce, Susan Tedeschi, Paul McDonald



Just krill me now



FAST PAISED

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Boom: Cuteness eliminated.

Escalating the misguided, if-people-like-penguins-and-dancing-then-why-wouldn't-they-like-dancing-penguins logic

of "Happy Feet" to new, triply irritating levels, "Happy Feet Two" takes forever to pick its central storyline. OK, the movie's about Emperor



Happy Feet Two

penguins synthesizing a variety of pop songs ("Rhythm Nation," "Sexyback," "Shake It Fast") into medleys fit for "Kidz Bop."

Wait, it's about now-grown-up Mumble (voiced by Elijah Wood) and his son Erik (Ava Acres) going on a journey. No, it's about Erik longing to fly and looking up to Sven (Hank Azaria), the new penguin in town who can do just that. Sorry, wait, the movie centers on the penguin community being trapped by an iceberg, with frequent diversions to the virtually unrelated story of two krill (Brad Pitt, Matt Damon) so they can say things like, "Holy mother of krill" and "One in a krillion."

(Once again, I say "Smurf that" to this style of joke writing.)

Perhaps some people define fun as watching penguins tap dance in unison and say, "I told them all to chillax." "Happy Feet Two" appears totally clueless about appealing to anybody else, as bird poop streams down one penguin's face and a fart bubble emerges from another's ... (you know where farts come from, right kids?) And someone says something about penguins refusing to kneel, which is news to me that they even have knees.

The script for "Happy Feet Two" belongs at the bottom of the ocean. The songs, including a rendition of "Under Pressure" that should cause living musicians to make a "Keep my work out of the mouths of penguins" note in their wills, belong on "Now That's What I Don't Call Music."

NOW SHOWING



Love triangles don't get much dumber

There's a funny "Mr. Show" sketch in which a man and a woman don't realize that



they're cheating on each other with the same man, whom they didn't believe their significant other even knew. That's also the plot of director Tom Tykwer's ("Run Lola Run") contrived and superficial "3," which not only expects us to take this situation seriously but also incorporates incoherent discussions of human nature and stem-cell research. Sure, plenty of people have differing views on what constitutes a functional relationship, and the movie accentuates its eroticism just fine. In the absurd "3," however, the only legitimate connection that results from sex-driven deception and lack of communication is the marriage of your hand and forehead.













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NEW ON DVD

By Rick Bentley | THE FRESNO BEE Two DVDs about men facing crossroads top this week's releases.





Beginners

Writer/director Mike Mills takes love head-on in "Beginners," wading into the complexity and diversity of love with this often touching, often painful story of multiple romances. "Beginners" fol-

lows budding relationships—between a man and a woman, a man and a man, a man and a dog-and fully mature connections-like that between a father and son. Each has its own complexities, which Mills treats with deep respect. Ewan McGregor is the perfect emotional center from which all these variations on the theme of love can radiate. Mills' simplistic shooting style perfectly complements the story. He doesn't make the film look so much like a movie but creates a voveuristic peek into these interesting lives. That sense of reality heightens all of the emotional moments. The honesty of the performances and Mills' filmmaking make "Beginners" a lovely tale of love.

Extras: Making-of featurette, director's commentary.



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Larry Crowne

Tom Hanks takes on another "evervauy" role with this story about a skilled UMart employee who

gets fired because he doesn't have a college degree. He decides to enroll at community college so such an injustice can never happen again. Hanks is a superb actor-and a competent director-but the boyish charms that have carried him through so many productions are beginning to show signs of aging. The supporting cast is so fun and interesting they make you want more of them. "Larry Crowne" wants to be "Sleepless in Seattle"-but that was a different time and place. It would have been far more interesting to watch if Hanks and Roberts had pushed past their comfort zones and delivered characters with harder edges.

ALSO NEW THIS WEEK:

"Vietnam in HD": Footage of the war is presented in high definition.

"Whitechapel: The Ripper Returns": A modern-day killer is copying Jack the Ripper's murders.

"My Fair Lady": The Audrey Hepburn film now is on Blu-ray.

Seeing double

Newsday

In "Jack and Jill," Adam Sandler plays a California family man and his bombastic twin sister, joining the long line of distinguished (and not so distinguished) actors who have acted opposite themselves on the big screen. Here are some of the funnyman's notable predecessors:



Armie Hammer

"The Social Network" (2010) Hammer's Winklevoss twins are among the most vivid characters in David Fincher's Facebook movie. All-American fools. these perfect Harvard students and champion rowers are, seemingly for the first time in their lives, cuckolded out of what they believe to be theirs: a proper share in the social networking site.

Jean-Claude Van Damme

"Double Impact" (1991)

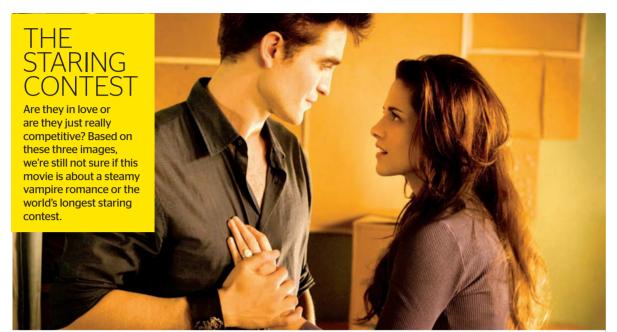
The Muscles from Brussels plays long-lost twin brothers who take on a Hong Kong crime syndicate, which is about as awesome as awesome premises get. There's no better way to get amped for Van Damme's return to the big screen in "The Expendables 2" next year than by kicking back with one of his "classics."

Jeremy Irons

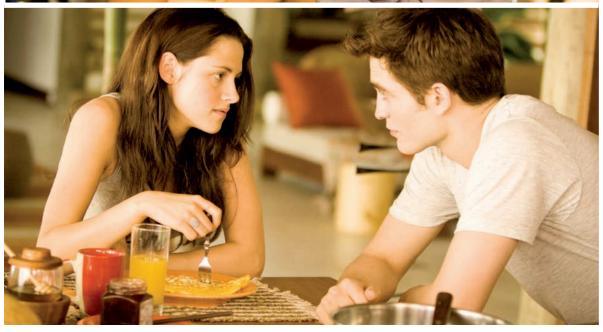
"Dead Ringers" (1988) To great critical acclaim, Irons played twin gynecologists in David Cronenberg's flick. In a movie that's widely considered to be one of the better horror films, the freakishly close bond between the brothers who share each others' lives and identities, comes apart over a woman.

Hayley Mills

"The Parent Trap" (1961) Forget the Lindsay Lohan remake. The original "Parent Trap" wasn't the first movie to employ the twin aimmick, but it remains one of the most influential, having perfected an elaborate split-screen processing technique. The film also enhanced Mills' stardom and introduced the hit song "Let's Get Together."







LOVE BITES*

Vampire-human marriage generates sub-Kardashian quantity of fun

FAST PAISED

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The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn—Part 1





It's a miracle! Not one of those happy miracles, though. More like, "Sorry, Bella, there's now a vampire growing inside you."

That's because 18-year-old Bella (Kristen Stewart) and her new, much-older-than-that vampire husband, Edward (Robert Pattinson), didn't think she could get pregnant. Their error puts a major damper on a Brazilian honeymoon that cools off after Edward decides more sex will make him murder his wife.

So after just a few days of bliss following a rushed, one-minute marriage ceremony—half of which is kissing—the newlyweds return to the state of mopiness. Er, the

state of Washington, where werewolf Jacob (Taylor Lautner) continues to stew over just how mad Edward makes him. Edward does a Yahoo search for "immortalicum," which either is the occurrence of vampire pregnancy in humans or some kind of over-the-counter powder he needs to keep his skin looking so wonderfully pale.

The last "Twilight" installment, "Eclipse," converted the previous two mediocre movies' labored pouting into swift action and difficult, passionate decisions.

New director Bill Condon and "Breaking Dawn—Part 1" plummet Stephenie Meyer's hugely popular series back to its unintentionally funny, melodramatic roots, until watching the movie feels not unlike drinking dish soap. Shouldn't someone smack Jacob when he tells Bella mid-labor that she just needs to "keep her heart beating"? Must monsters really abide so strictly by their own laws, no matter how extreme the situation? And why does Jacob sprint to a meeting only so he can tell everyone he's leaving and storm off?

"Breaking Dawn" makes these questions unavoidable as its drawn-out story seems to kill time until "Part 2." If anyone had thought through this story, the Cullens would feed the increasingly weak Bella instead of standing around for a few scenes before Esme (Elizabeth Reaser) cries out, "We need to find a way to get some food into her system!"

Stewart again delivers the best performance by someone not named Michael Sheen, and early scenes of wedding anticipation and lingerie-related honeymoon stress keep alive the humanity in a franchise that often grows cold.

Lautner, who lasts approximately 8 seconds before tearing off his shirt, suggests more than ever that the casting director mistakenly told him he would be playing a robot. The guy can't walk two steps without looking unnatural. He's highly representative of "Breaking Dawn," which usually becomes lame when it tries to be funny and funny when it tries to be serious. And by the way: When you perform a C-section, you have to close the wound. That type of blood loss harms a new mom just as much as giving birth to a demon.

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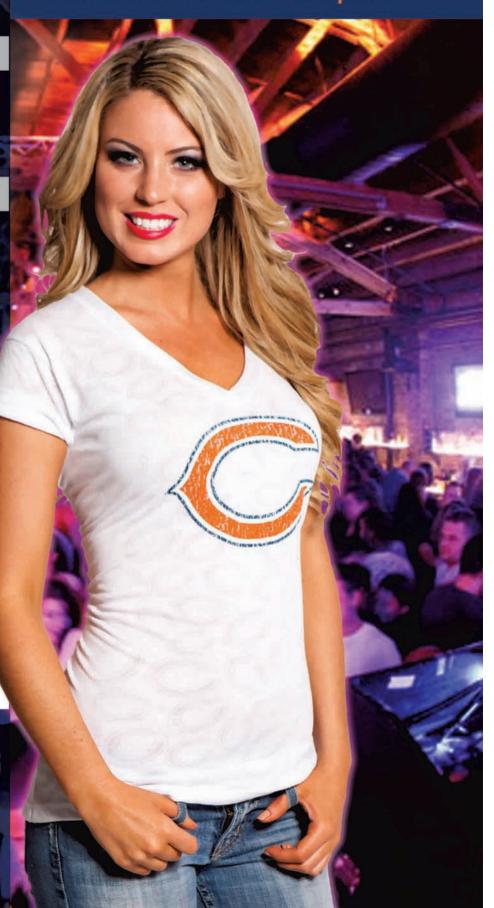
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show patrol

Not another racist redneck



SHOW PATROL

Curt Wagner

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Norman Reedus never wanted Daryl Dixon, the badass redneck he plays on AMC's "The Walking Dead," to be a younger version of Daryl's racist brother, Merle.

With his standout performance, Reedus instead has made Daryl both tender and tough—a multidimensional, complicated man who has become an even bigger fan favorite this season. Daryl's still something of a loner, but he's slowly opening up to individuals in the group and has become a real hero in the face of the zombie apocalypse. He's slowly revealed the abuse he suffered from Merle, who visited him as a hallucination in the most recent episode.

"You feel for Daryl," Reedus told me at the beginning of the season. "He's just as ferocious as ever, but you understand why he's not just a nut, he's not just Merle again. He's a guy that's just incredibly emotionally and spiritually damaged."

Reedus and I talked more about Daryl, the zombie apocalypse and how he's becoming better known as Daryl than as Murphy MacMa-

nus, the tough guy he played in the "Boondock Saints" movies. But first, he was very happy to hear that he's made me faint.

You made me pass out in Season 1. When Daryl found his brother's hand, the look on your face—I just went "plop."

Oh, right on. [Laughs.] ... That's awesome. I mean, it's weird, but it's awesome. Can you watch all of the second season and then call me every time you pass out? Because I bet I make you pass out again. ... That's my goal for the rest of the season. I'm going to make you pass out.

Would you do as well as Daryl does in a zombie apocalypse?

Hell no. No, I'd probably break into some skyscraper penthouse apartment and lock myself in there and just cry. I'm nowhere near as tough as Daryl; I'm kind of a wimp. ... I don't know what I would do to be honest. But I definitely don't think I'd be out sleeping in the woods.

How do you like playing somebody who lives off the land and is able to handle a crossbow and machete?

It's definitely my favorite job I've ever done. ... He can go out and he could live in the woods by himself, and he can handle himself in a zombie apocalypse. He's a hunter; he's a tracker. He hunts his own food. He can get along fine. But he's got a different struggle than everybody else. You imagine growing up with a big brother like Merle, and then you find out about his family history later on. It's sad.

He seems to be getting along better with everyone as they're not getting along with each other.

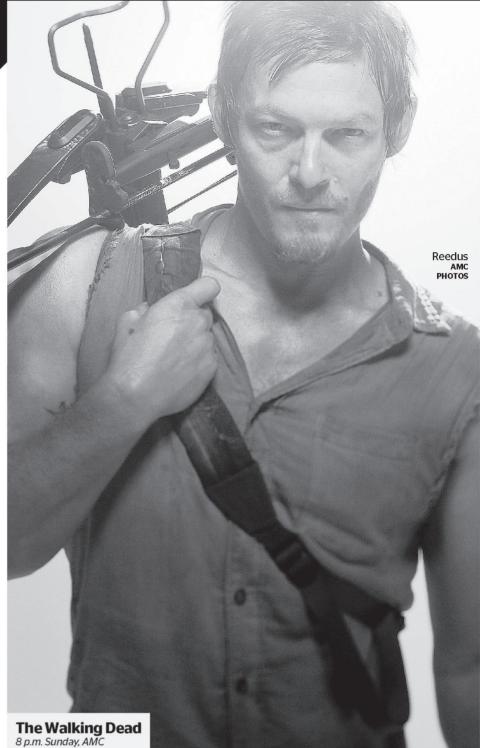
That's exactly what's happening. ... I'm trying to play it like I don't feel like I'm in the same social class as the rest of them. It gives me somewhere to go. ... The dogs with the loudest bark are the ones that are most afraid. I'm trying to play [Daryl] sort of like a scared, wet animal in an alley. He'll lash out at you, but he'd really love it if you took him inside and gave him some milk.

Are you now better known for "The Boondock Saints" or "The Walking Dead"?

Oh man, definitely Season I, when it hit, I was still probably a little "Boondockie," but I don't know. I think it's getting about even right now. ... I'm really blessed to be given the opportunity to play Daryl and, like, just from the amount of gifts I get. I get, like, Zippos with Daryl Dixon on it, and it'll say, like, "Redneck Badass." I get Bobbleheads, T-shirts, paintings. It's kind of awesome. I have a whole collection of Daryl stuff.

If Murphy and Daryl fought, who would win?

I think they'd beat each other bloody and then they'd probably start cracking up and become friends and go have a drink. That's probably what would happen.





He's phenomenal. What he's done with this role is beautiful and bewitching and really intelligent as well. Norman's a great, great actor."

«Andrew Lincoln, who plays Rick Grimes on "The Walking Dead"

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MISSED CONNECTIONS | LINE OF THE WEEK

Woman for man / Orange line / Wednesday

I thought you were gonna meet with your gf but you just went for coffee. Can I be your sugar?;)

No funds? No fair!

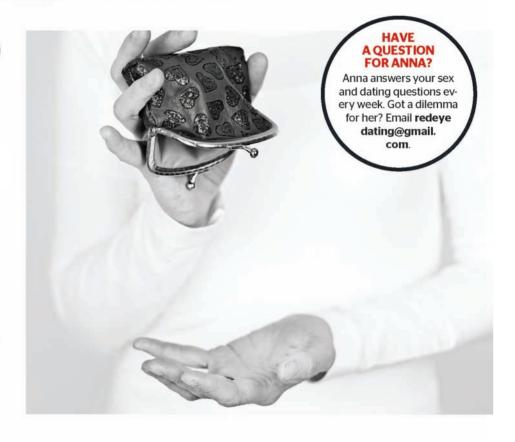
Dear Anna. One night I met a girl and we instantly became girlfriends. Now I've been trying to backtrack and play the "getting to know you" game.

She mentioned she was in debt, which was initially a complete turn-off, seeing as how I love money and despise all people with poor spending habits. And when I questioned her about why she was in debt, she got very defensive and said it was none of my business.

I think it is my business, especially if she has some sort of gambling or drug problem. Am I being rational for wanting to know and setting myself up for future success and avoiding pain down the road?

Or are there really just some things that are "off-limits" conversations?

I want to dump her because she is "poor." I know that sounds awful, but it's the truth, and I don't want to play the mommy in the relationship. I am 21 and she is 29. I figured an older woman would have her stuff together more than someone my age. -Money problems





Pulley

Dear Money Problems:

You should dump her, but not because she's "poor." You should dump her to spare her the agony of dating a deluded, spoiled brat like you.

Let me break this down for you. The average credit card debt per household in the U.S. is almost \$16,000, and that's just credit cards. It doesn't take into account mortgages, home equity, student loans, etc. If we did, the average debt would go up to \$54,000 per U.S. household.

In 2010, 46.9 million people were in poverty, up from 37.3 million in 2007. Almost 14 million people are

unemployed. Did your girlfriend go to college? The average college graduate has nearly \$20,000 in debt.

I could go on for several more paragraphs about this, but in-

stead I'll tell you to Google the Occupy movement and seriously hope that you educate yourself a little before you go spouting off about your girlfriend's supposed "gambling or drug problem."

As to the "Are some things off-limits to discuss?" part of your question: Within reason and in time, most conversations are not off-limits. I fail to see how someone else's debt affects you, though, unless y'all are planning to get joint bank accounts or open a business together.

I have friends who've been credit-jilted from bad divorces, for not being able to find a job after they were laid off, and for having to pay exorbitant medical bills without insurance. These are all intensely personal reasons for having a crappy credit history, and it's within a person's right to disclose or not disclose such histories. Your girlfriend has the same right. It's one thing if you notice she has a pesky habit of buying Lexuses, but there's a difference between accrued debt and reckless spending habits.

As we get to know our dating partners, financial histories and habits tend to come up organically, especially if you're

semi-serious or headed down the road to matrimony. For instance, it's not unreasonable to have the money talk with someone if you're considering moving in together. But wanting to exchange credit scores with someone you've just started shagging is weird and mildly offensive.

Your girlfriend deserves someone with an ounce of compassion and understanding. Maybe in five years, after you've grown up some, gotten to know people outside of your socioeconomic bracket, and learned the difference between hard work and privilege, then you might have some perspective.

I certainly hope you do, and not just for the sake of your poor (I don't mean that in the monetary sense) girlfriend. Also, if you are going to make arbitrary value judgments based on net worth, it would serve you well not to jump into being girlfriends with someone you don't know.

It's not easy to vet someone's stock-option potential in casual conversation, but it will save you a lot of time and aggravation, and it'll ensure the dating pool remains more open for people who care about things besides money.



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By Lisa Arnett

REDEYE

Telling your friends, "I'm going to Jam in Logan Square," sounds like you're going to some kind of underground concert.

But the Jam I'm talking about is the beloved BYOB breakfast and lunch restaurant that drew rabid weekend crowds in its previous (now closed) location in Ukrainian Village. A new location

opened to the public Monday, just off the Blue Line in Logan Square.

The new Jam has the same chef, Jeffrey Mauro, and chef de cuisine, Thaddeus Barton, who met working at North Pond and then moved on to La Pomme Rouge, Powerhouse (both now shuttered) and then Jam. The breakfast and lunch menu still features favorites such as pork belly eggs Benedict and the double-patty Jamburger. Even the long row of tables set with seethrough chairs and lime-green placemats looks the same.

What's really different is Jam after dark. While a prix-fixe dinner moonlighted at the old Jam, the new one instead serves dinner year-round in the form of diner-inspired blue plate specials. I stopped in earlier this week to dig in.



Proof that shared plates are ubiquitous

My friend and I balked at the idea of choosing just two entrees, one for each of us. If you're craving more tastes, do as we did and ask for one of the lighter dishes, such as the pappardelle (\$15), to split as a first course. This bowl of homemade pasta ribbons in mushroom broth with rapini, truffled pecorino and little morsels of cremini mushrooms isn't as rich as it sounds—and that's a good thing.

Consult the calendar carefully ...

before coming for dinner. Blue plate specials (\$17) rotate each day, and they all sound like



Pot pie

the comfort food equivalent of curling up on your couch with a blanket, from Wednesday's venison stroganoff to Saturday's pot roast with polenta. I'm still thinking about Tuesday's



- » Former "Top Chef: Just Desserts" cheftestant and The Bristol's pastry chef, Amanda Rockman, is collaborating with Goose Island Clybourn's head brewer, Jared Rouben, on a custom-brewed beer for coming-soon restaurant **Balena**. The Belgian-style barrel-aged beer will feature flavors inspired by amaro, an Italian bitter liqueur. The name? Bitter Love, a nod not just to amaro but to Rockman's blog, Bitter Chick Bakery.
- » The Water Tower Place location of M Burger (835 N. Michigan Ave.) is due to open Friday.
- » The Peninsula Hotel has confirmed that Celine Plano is leaving her position as executive pastry chef.
- » Takashi Yagihashi's River North restaurant, Slurping Turtle (116 W. Hubbard St.), may open early next week.



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BYOB: No corkage fee. The nearest liquor store is Logan Liquors (2639 N. Kedzie Ave.), with a limited chilled wine and somewhat decent craft beer selection.

On the street: Traffic Jam (@ trafficjamfood) sells Jam's sandwiches around town.

pot pie filled with chicken confit, butternut squash and golden raisins. Smartly engineered to be wider and flatter than usual, it had more than enough buttery, flaky crust to go around.

Speaking of chicken ...

our server said the Amish chicken with quinoa (\$14, a holdover from the previous location's lunch menu) is the chef's favorite. But I gotta say, it's up against some serious competition, considering Telegraph and Longman & Eagle nearby both are serving their own preparations of the Amish birds. I can't say Jam's was my favorite; maybe I should have gone with our server's first recommendation, an egg-topped open-faced pork liver terrine sandwich with sweet-and-sour cabbage (\$12).

I was disappointed to find out ...

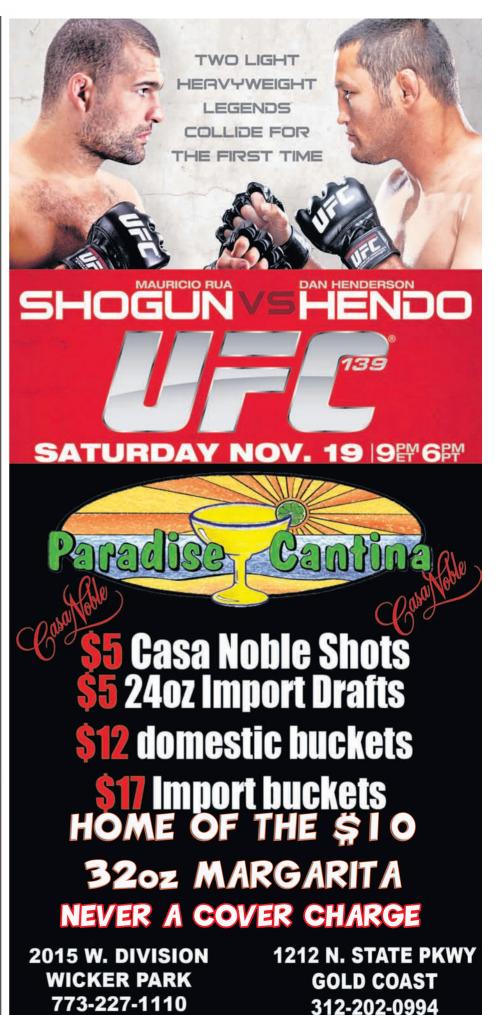
that there's no dessert menu, but then our server suggested a half order of the malted custard French toast, a favorite from the old Jam served with pink peppercorns, macerated cherries and lime-leaf cream.



Jam

Bottom line

Damn, we're glad Jam's back. My early impressions of dinner go to show that in this location it's destined to be more than just a place to defect to when the wait at Longman & Eagle is unbearable (which is nearly every night).



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What makes for a great "Friendsgiving" tradition if you're not hanging with family over Thanksgiving? #redeyeasks



TWITTER

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@briquigleyI'm visiting my bf in

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@erincropper

We do pre-Thanksgiving "Friendsgiving" everyone brings a side/dessert, we make turkey, drink more wine than advisable. ;-)

@DangerAbernathy

Respectable attempts at mom's classic food, a few extra drinks, good music and lots of smiles. #lonelyholidayssuck!

@hwkeyegirl13

Lots of alcohol & some board games!

FACEBOOK Sarah Hennessy

Loizeaux

No pressure to have a traditional meal. You can go outside the box a bit with friends and not get complaints.

Dave Sorrell

Pot luck + a bit of yankee swap + plenty of drinks around.

Ronnie Vanna

Pizza, red box and libations!

Maria Evans

Everyone brings their favorite dish. This works better if your friends know how to make things like cornbread dressing with giblet gravy. Less well if your friends think a bag of Cheetos is a dish.

Melissa Norton

Booze.

Joey Rodriguez Put luck, paper plates

Put luck, paper plates and Black Friday shopping!

Mary Palazzolo

No repetitive questions that pop up the moment Starbucks red cups appear about your love life or your stupid imaginary clock inside your uterus. ;D

Richard SirRoyal Inman

People get tired of being with family. Going out Thanksgiving night and drinking your stayed-too-long guest stress away should be, like a human tradition.

James Michalek

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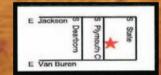
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Sissy Mena

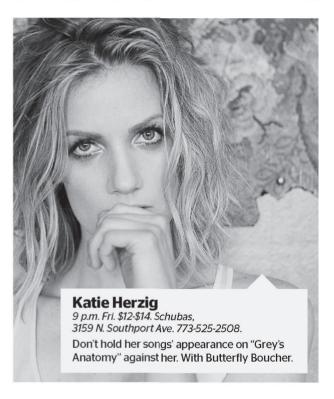
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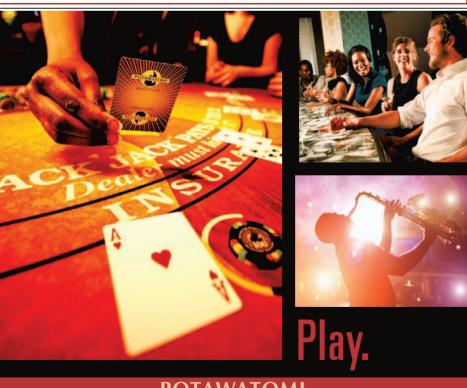
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Jump Into the Fire

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in Chicago, I am more than used to the cooler temps in the latefall and winter

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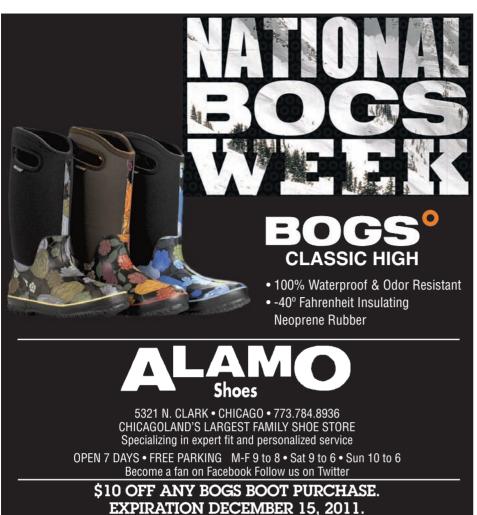
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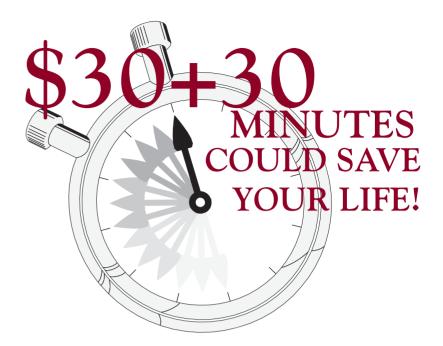




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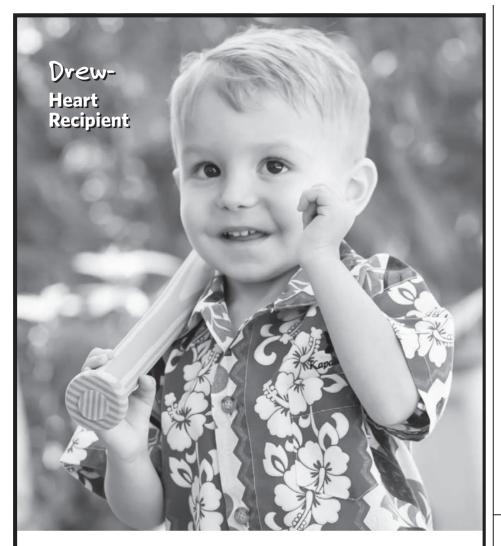
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SHIMMERS/METALLICS

The surprise winners in our nail test wound up being two of the metallics. Both give off high shine and are a bit reminiscent of Chanel's popular "Graphite" polish.

- "Warm And Fozzie" a chocolate brown and gold foil.
 "Designers De Better" a silvery foil with a touch of gold.
- The other four shimmers are reds or burgundies, which are repetitive and make it unnecessary to pick up the entire collection. "Pepe's Purple Passion" offers a take on the now-standard "Lincoln Park After Dark" color, throwing in chunks of pink flakes that unfortunately get lost from far

GLITTERS

The glitters are by far more eye-catching in the bottle, with grass-green shade "Fresh Frog of Bel Air" and holiday red "Getting' Miss Piggy With It" looking like standouts.

Most of the glitters are in clear bases and work best over solid colors. The only exception is "Excuse Moi," a fuchsia pink loaded with smaller glitter.

"Rainbow Connection," a multicolored confetti glitter, could sparkle over black or gold, but it's green-heavy and looks like Christmas threw up on your nails without the right contrast.

THE VERDICT

The only person likely to buy all 12 choices is a Muppets collector. Everyone else will be more than happy picking up one or two of the best polishes. I received compliments wearing "Designers De Better" and would definitely wear "Warm And Fozzie" again. One of the colored glitters such as "Gone Gonzo" could work well over a complementary solid color.

NAIL COLORS

- "Gone Gonzo" (blue and silver glitter in clear base)
- "Fresh Frog of Bel Air" (green and silver glitter in clear base)
- "Divine Swine" (purple and silver glitter in clear base)
- "Gettin' Miss Piggy with It" (red and silver glitter in clear base)



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"Animalistic" (shimmer red)



"Meep Meep Meep" (red with glitter flakes)



"Wocka Wocka" (frosty red)



"Pepe's Purple Passion" (burgundy with glitter)



"Designer De Better" (ivory metallic)



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At the Gap, denims in electric blue, watermelon pink and kelly green are big this fall, says Rosella Giuliani, creative director of 1969, the company's premium jeans division. For the holidays, cords in jewel tones such as aubergine and teal will be introduced.

Despite the mega trend, some of us are having trouble casting aside our old standby blues and blacks. It's alien territory—too young, too skinny, too "too." But listen up ... anyone can wear the look. Just follow this advice. мстрното

HOW TO WEAR THEM

Choose the same silhouettes you would for a regular jean. "If you haven't got the longest, skinniest legs, think about a wide-leg pant or a flare-that's the quickest cut to a longer-looking leg," said Zana Roberts Rassi, Marie Claire magazine's fashion director.

Curvier women should look for a higher rise and fuller hip. "You have to find the right fit," said Maureen Moser, co-owner of Entree Boutique in Port Washington, N.Y.

Be mindful of what you're wearing on top. "The whole thing is about balance," said Moser, who recommends longer tunic tops in neutral colors.

Watch out for too much, Rassi said. "It's a nice thought that we could all walk around doing massive, bright color blocks, but then you might look like a Rubik's cube.'



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Dry skin? Put a mask on it

Los Angeles Times

As the weather gets colder, skin can start to feel dry. But help may be close at hand with a hydrating mask. These can be effective, quick and less expensive than a spa facial. Compared with regular face creams, "masks are often thicker, more emollient and even a bit greasy," says Dr. Amy Wechsler, a dermatologist and dermatology adviser to youbeauty.com. But they moisturize without clogging pores, she says, because they are washed off as opposed to being rubbed in.

DIY mask

For an effective homemade moisturizing mask. Weschsler savs this vogurt and honev concoction will soothe and nourish.

- » 2 tablespoons honey (to hydrate)
- » 2 teaspoons whole milk yogurt (which contains skin-sloughing lactic acid for exfoliation)

Warm the mixture slightly in the microwave. then smooth it over your face, lie down (so it doesn't drip off) and relax for 10 minutes. Afterward, simply rinse with warm water.

SOME MASKS TO CHECK OL

If you would rather buy something already prepared, Wechsler suggests reading the back of the package for ingredients. Look for safflower, glycerin, petrolatum and hyaluronic acid, which are key for their hydrating properties. Hyaluronic acid draws moisture to the top layer of skin, so the face stays supple longer throughout the day, she said. Here are some suggestions.

Iroha green tea, aloe & ginseng cloth mask

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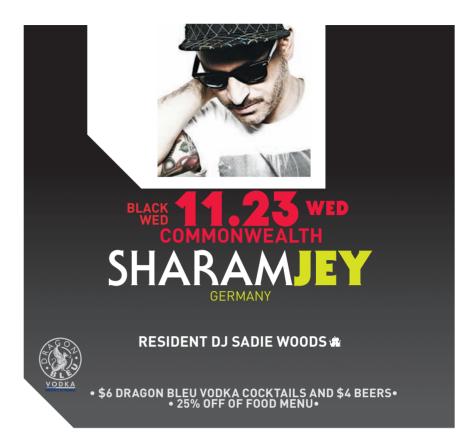


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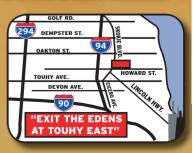
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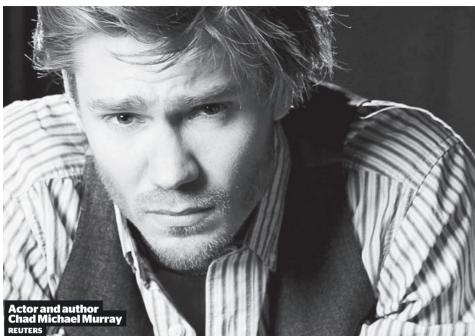
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Getting graphic

Ex-'One Tree Hill' star **Chad Michael Murray** tries his hand at comics

Reuters

When actor Chad Michael Murray is not playing a teen heartthrob on TV and in the movies, he moonlights as a comic book writer, staying up late at night to polish off a dark, end-of-days story he has created.

Murray's rookie graphic novel, "Everlast," is being published this month by Archaia Entertainment after eight years of nurturing the tale about a man looking to save chosen people before mankind faces annihilation on Earth.

The 30-year-old actor said the idea for the story came to him while he was playing Lucas Scott on "One Tree Hill." He left the show in 2009 but will return in 2012 for an episode. Murray said he was inspired to write the book after a man

knocked on his door to evangelize in North Carolina.

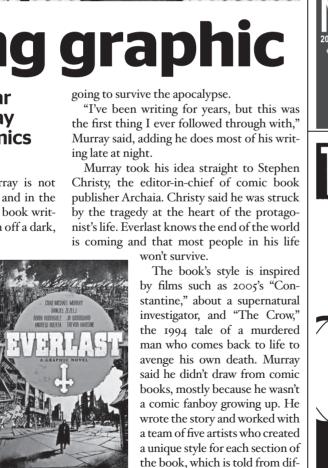
"The man said 144,000 people would be left to survive the end of days, and it spurred a lot of ideas. What if that was true? How would you choose these people?" Murray said.

This notion of how survivors would be chosen gave Murray the idea for the hero of "Everlast," Derek Everlast, whose calling in life is to find and protect the people who are

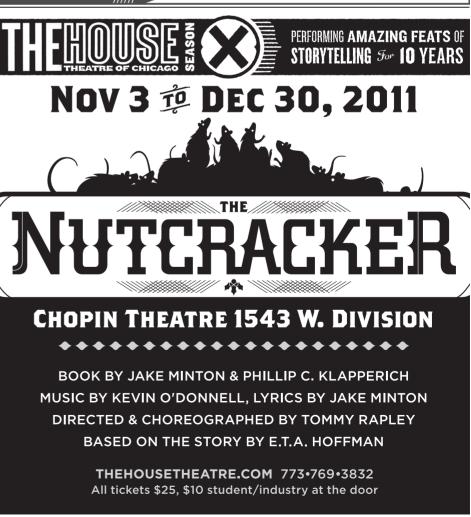
the book, which is told from different perspectives.

While the actor soon will appear in the movies "The Haunting in Georgia" and "Renee," he said he is devoted to furthering "Everlast," which he hopes one day could become a lucrative franchise.

"The world is kind of limitless; there is no end for it," he said of the book. "If an audience really embraces it and takes it in, maybe they would want to watch it on the screen. As a film, as a TV series, these are all options."









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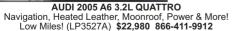


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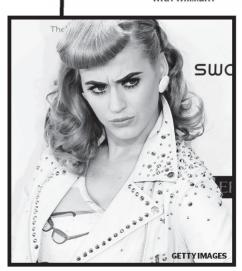
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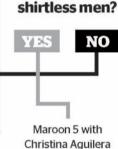
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Hold on to your eardrums, folks. The American Music Awards hit the stage Sunday, and we're not really sure how they're going to get all the acts across the stage in one night. Luckily, this means there's something for everybody. Follow this handy guide to see which AMAs performers are right for you. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA





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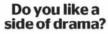


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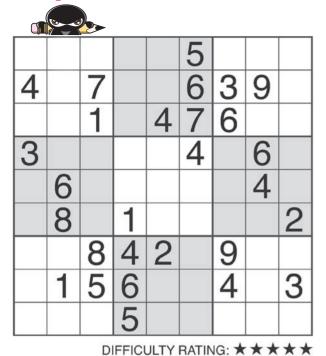


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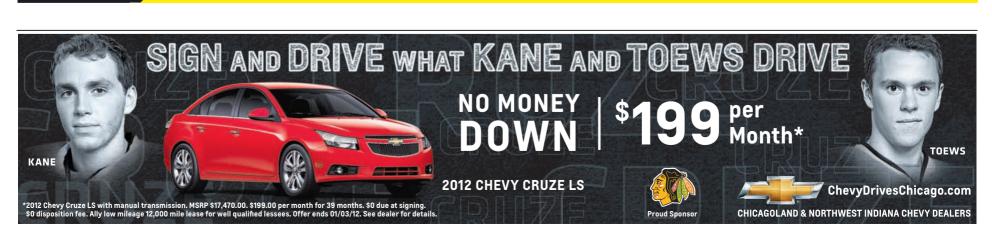




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photo of his son Wednesday, only to have his eagle-eyed Twitter followers spot the exposed breasts of

his wife, Tori Spelling, in the background. McDermott later removed the tweet, but not before the photo made the rounds on the Intertubes.

On the defensive Kristin Cavallari did not cheat on Jay Cutler, the Bears quarterback's on-again girlfriend

told "Access Hollywood" on Wednesday. Her denials came after Life & Style reported she hooked up with Kourtney

Kardashian's man, Scott Disick. Cutler "didn't believe [the report] for one second," Cavallari said.